Remarks

This amendment is further to the amendment filed on November 5, 2008. The claims are amended to recite "identity card". This change is supported at page 1, line 7 which explicitly refers to "identity card". In addition, the claims now recite "substrate" which is supported by page 2, lines 27-28 which explicitly refer to a "substrate".

In the Advisory Action mailed November 17, 2008, the Examiner suggests that claims 34 and 35 are not supported by the original disclosure. This is not the case. Page 6, line 8 recites "protective coatings applied to the substrate", and page 6, lines 11-12 recite a "layer-wise structure of the protective coating", i.e. the coating can have multiple layers, and "one of the deeper layers of the protective coating". These cited passages all indicate that the protective coating can have multiple layers.

Applicant believes that the claims are allowable. Favorable reconsideration in the form of a Notice of Allowance is requested. Any questions or concerns regarding this communication can be directed to the undersigned at (612) 455-3805.

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